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1. AL-AYAM REPORTED, "FONMIN DR. MANSOUR KHALID YESTERDAY RECEIVED NEW U. S. CHARGE D'AFFAIRS WHO RENEWED THANKS OF HIS GOVERNMENT TO SUDAN REGARDING HANDLING RECENT DEVELOPMENTS AND FACT THAT MINPUBSER AND ADMINREF ABDEL-RAHMAN ABDULLA, HAD ACCOMPANIED TO U. S. DEAD BODIES OF U. S. DIPLOMATS." AL-AYAM AND AL-RAI AL-AMM PUBLISHED PICTURE FEATURING MEETING.

2. AL-AYAM SAID PRESS CONFERENCE WAS HELD IN CAIRO YESTERDAY IN WHICH MAHMOUD RIAD, SEC GEN OF ARAB LEAGUE, REVIEWED RESULTS OF DR. MOHAMMED AL-FARA'S VISIT TO KHARTOUM. DR. AL-FARA WAS SENT TO KHARTOUM "TO CARRY OUT MISSION CONNECTED WITH RECENT DEVELOPMENTS." RIAD SAID SUDAN HAS ASSERTED ITS FIRM IDEOLOGICAL STAND TOWARD PALESTINIAN REVOLUTION. "THIS STAND WILL NOT BE AFFECTED BY RESULTS OF RECENT DEVELOPMENTS," HE SAID. RIAD ALSO SAID FATAH'S BUREAU WAS CLOSED IN KHARTOUM AS RESULT OF PARTICIPATION OF ITS DIRECTOR IN KHARTOUM OPERATION AND THAT THE DESTINY OF THE EIGHT DETAINED COMMANDOS IS IN THE HANDS OF SUDANESE LEGAL AUTHORITIES.

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EM IN KHARTOUM, FONMIN DR. MANSOUR KHALID TOLD AL- AYAM THAT DR.
AL- FARA
WAS TOLD SUDAN' S VIEWPOINT DURING HIS RECENT VISIT. HE WAS INFORMED,
" SUDAN' S FIRM IDEOLOGICAL STAND IN SUPPORTING PALESTINIAN REVOLUTION
AND HELPING IT WITHOUT LIMITS. SUDAN IS READY TO GUARANTEE FREEDOM
OF WORK OF PALESTINIAN WORK PROVIDED THAT THIS WORK IS AIMED AT
LIBERATION CAUSE AND COMPLETELY DEVOTED TO SERVING PALESTINE
AND ITS STRUGGLING PEOPLE."
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